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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Claim 1. (Canceled)

Claim 2. (Canceled)

Claim 3. (Canceled)

Claim 4. (Canceled)

Claim 5. (Canceled)

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 4, wherein the surface of the web material has multiple ~~shaped patterns of~~ molded articles.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 6, wherein ~~shaped~~ the molded articles are in the form of O-rings.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) A process for laser-cutting a polymeric web material having molded articles, comprising the steps of:

- a) providing a polymeric web material having a surface, said surface having at least one ~~shaped pattern of an~~ molded article;
- b) positioning the web material on a staging platform;
- c) using a camera optical system to locate the ~~shaped pattern~~ molded article on the web material and distinguish the molded article from flashing that surrounds the article;
- and
- d) using the camera optical system to direct a laser beam along the ~~shaped pattern~~ molded article during a cutting process so that the beam cuts completely through the web flashing and produces a cut-out article having a surface substantially free of flashing.

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**Claim 9. (Original)** The process of claim 8, wherein the web material is in the form of a sheet.

**Claim 10. (Canceled)**

**Claim 11. (Previously Presented)** The process of claim 9, wherein the polymeric sheet comprises a polymer selected from the group consisting of polycarbonates, polyolefins, acrylics, vinyls, polyesters, and elastomers.

**Claim 12. (Previously Presented)** The process of claim 9, wherein the polymeric sheet is an elastomeric sheet comprising an elastomeric polymer selected from the group consisting of styrene-butadiene copolymers, polychloroprene, ethylene-propylene copolymers, silicones, and polyurethanes.

**Claim 13. (Original)** The process of claim 8, wherein a gantry system is used to position the web material and direct the laser beam.

**Claim 14. (Original)** The process of claim 8, wherein a X-Y positioning system is used to position the web material and direct the laser beam.

**Claim 15. (Original)** The process of claim 8, wherein the camera optical system and laser beam are controlled by a computer.